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HOW WE MET.

While summer with her slow, reluctant feet
Went by, and lingering, smiled, as loth to part,
What fond delusions warmed one lonesome heart?
Though lives by fate were severed, thoughts could meet:
So met we, dear, as bodiless spirits greet:
Met and were blind, foreseeing not the smart
Of hopes that hope not, and of tears that start
From eyes which look what life may not repeat.
Here for a day—then gone beyond the sun
Brief is the way, and soon the journey done—
And less or more of love why should we measure?
But fate avenges pleasant things begun;
And retribution spares not any one.
— Louise Chandler Moulton in Cosmopolitan.

LODGE OF CHINESE MASONS.

A Native Organization Not Allied Directly to the Well Known F. A. M.
Old Masons were until late of the opinion that no such thing as a Chinese Mason existed. One gentleman said he had seen Arabs and Turks who were good Masons, but, to the best of his knowledge, no Chinaman was in the order. Nevertheless, there are not only Chinese Masons, but right here in New York there is a Chinese Masonic lodge in full blast with a membership of over 200. It is a native organization, not allied directly to the Free and Accepted Masons, but said to be founded on principles very nearly akin.

The lodge room is at No 18 Mott street, second floor, front, and has recently been remodeled and refitted in very good shape, all newly painted and cleaned. The lodge furniture is of Chinese design, and imported from China expressly for the society at a great expense. A tall flagstaff, with a rope for running up colors, is on top of the building. Above the door as one enters the lodge room is a red sign in native characters signifying "Chinese Masonic society," and down the sides are two long slips of red paper bearing mottoes. One of these is, "Do good to one another," and the other relates to the business of the order.

The interior is like most Chinese quarters, only lighter, and not full of odd turns and unsuspected corners. Immediately on entering, one is led into a sort of ante room and thence into the main or lodge room. At the lower end of this room is the altar, and a very valuable one it is costing in China \$1,500. Above it is an alcove in which a colored drawing is suspended. It is not the least curious thing in the place, the design being three figures, one seated, and two others bending over his shoulder. The seated figure represents the venerable father of Chinese Masonry. The face is heavy, plaid, and adorned with a long black beard. The other two are respectively the spirits of light and darkness, who are supposed to be giving him counsel. In front of the altar a lamp is hung. It is never extinguished, and burns in commemoration of the dead of the order. Another emblem is two sticks of sandal wood punk thrust into a box of sand. They keep smoldering away and fill the air with a faint but sweet perfume.

On the wall is a long board and on this are pasted a great number of sheets of paper covered with Chinese hieroglyphics. These are the lists of members voted on in the New York lodge. Near the roster hang two books. One of these is sent out from the Supreme lodge at San Francisco, and gives a detailed account of a number of cases of those in distress and sickness, and the whereabouts of each one who needs help. The other is a subscription book in which the various amounts subscribed are entered. At intervals these two books and the amount raised are transmitted to the Supreme lodge, from which the dependent members are relieved.

Meetings are not held upon regular nights, but at intervals decided upon by the dignitaries of the order, as the necessities of business may demand. The members are notified of meetings, held generally on Sunday nights, by the appearance of a triangular flag at the top of the pole on top of the house. The flag is white and bears the picture of a huge red dragon with its tail toward the point. There are grips, signs and passwords exactly as in an American lodge. "The traveling card" of this society is quite a curiosity in itself. It is a square of red silk inscribed with Chinese characters, and is a document highly prized by all its possessors. — New York World.

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Last January I was attacked with a severe Cold, which, by neglect and frequent exposures, became worse, finally settling on my lungs. A terrible cough soon followed, accompanied by pains in the chest, from which I suffered intensely. After trying various remedies, without obtaining relief, I commenced taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was

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I am satisfied that this remedy saved my life. — Jno. Webster, Pawtucket, R. I.

I contracted a severe cold, which suddenly developed into Pneumonia, presenting dangerous and alarming symptoms. My physician at once ordered the use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. His instructions were followed, and the result was a rapid and permanent cure. — H. E. Simpson, Rogers Prairie, Texas.

Two years ago I suffered from a severe Cold which settled on my lungs. I consulted various physicians, and took the medicines they prescribed, but received only temporary relief. A friend induced me to try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. After taking two bottles of this medicine I was cured. Since then I have given the Pectoral to my children, and consider it

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for Colds, Coughs, and all Throat and Lung diseases, ever used in my family. — Robert Vanderpool, Mendonville, Pa.

Some time ago I took a slight Cold, which, being neglected, grew worse, and settled on my lungs. I had a hacking cough, and was very weak. Those who knew me best considered my life to be in great danger. I continued to suffer until I commenced using Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Less than one bottle of this valuable medicine cured me, and I feel that I owe the preservation of my life to its curative powers. — Mrs. Ann Lockwood, Akron, New York.

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If you have all, or any considerable number of these symptoms, you are suffering from that most common of American maladies—Bilious Dyspepsia, or Torpid Liver, associated with Indigestion. The more complicated your disease has become, the greater the number and diversity of symptoms. No matter what stage it has reached, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will subdue it, if taken according to directions for a reasonable length of time. If not cured, complications multiply and Consumption of the Lungs, Skin Disease, Heart Disease, Rheumatism, Kidney Disease, or other grave maladies are quite liable to set in, and sooner or later, induce a fatal termination.

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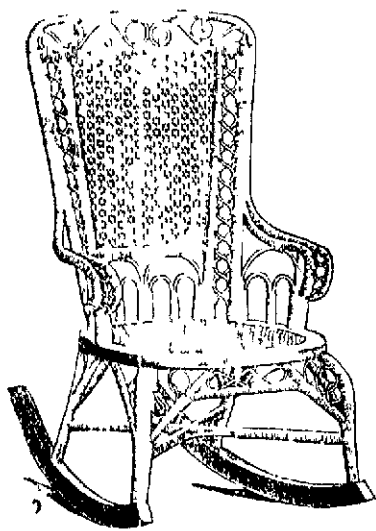
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Thou shalt not choose a motto thyself if any be Merchant then shall not bow down to the motto listen to their speeches, for Cheap Charley's Clothing House is a right place to trade a noble to serve no customer to the third and fourth generations</p> <p>III.
Thou need not seek to vain for stylish clothing, furnishings goods, etc. at the very lowest prices for they can be found in large quantities at Cheap Charley</p> <p>IV.
Thou shalt bear in mind that if any say in this week you will buy more clothing at Cheap Charley's than in any other month of the year</p> <p>V.
Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's clothing, but thou shalt take counsel with thy neighbor and go straightway to Cheap Charley's Corner of Old Square</p> | <p>VI.
Thou shalt not commit an outrage on property by purchasing thy clothing, Gents' Furnishings Goods, Hats, Caps, Trunks, etc., elsewhere, but go direct to Cheap Charley's where thou wilt get what thou wantest at Low Prices</p> <p>VII.
Thou shalt not seek adulterously strange styles, but go direct to Cheap Charley's Corner of Old Square</p> <p>VIII.
Thou shalt not steal an Overcoat, for Cheap Charley's sells them so cheap it would be a sin</p> <p>IX.
Thou shalt not bear false witness, but openly acknowledge that thou canst be better satisfied at Cheap Charley's for less money than any other Clothing House in the city</p> <p>X.
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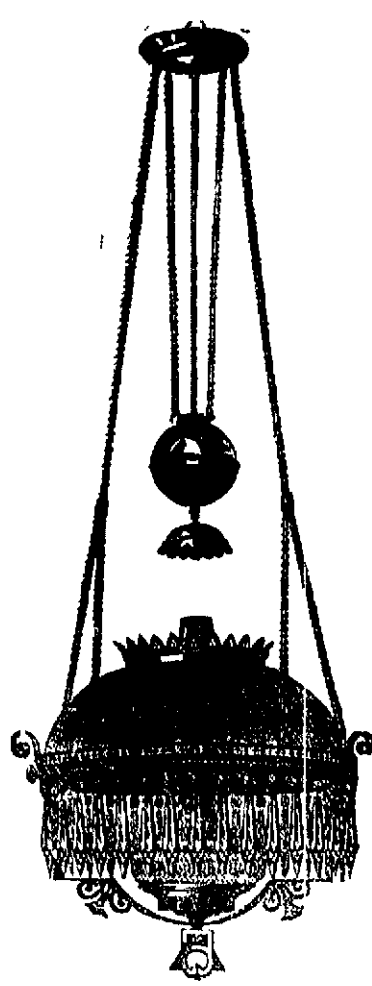
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One Hundred and Six Rounds Fought, in Which Kilrain Fought the Better Man

The Fight Postponed on Account of Darkness and Afterward Declared a Draw

New York, Dec. 20.—The Star's special cablegram about the Smith-Kilrain fight, says Kilrain had the best of the fight all through. He won first blood in the eleventh round and gained first knock down in the eighteenth round.

First Round—Kilrain threw Smith Kilrain led off with Smith's stomach. Smith led for Kilrain's body, but was short. Duration of round, fifty-five seconds.

Second Round—Kilrain planted a vigorous blow on Smith's stomach. Smith responded with a sharp blow on Kilrain's forehead. Time, twenty seconds.

Up to the tenth round the fight was all with Kilrain. In the eleventh round Kilrain landed a number of effective blows on Smith's body and nose, leaving blood. A claim of blood for Kilrain was made and allowed.

From the twelfth to the fifteenth round the exchanges were all in favor of Kilrain. Kilrain pummeled Smith severely about the chest and ribs, and again visited his nose drawing copious draughts of blood. Even flinging them ensued. Smith hit Kilrain on the back in the thirteenth round, and faked leveled up matters by a blow on the head. Kilrain with his right hand and left hand clean off his feet. Kilrain split Smith's lip.

From the sixteenth to the nineteenth round Kilrain had every thing his own way. He hit Smith down a number of times, when he pummeled Smith became very angry and took lat one time as if he would finish him and lost of blood. He was equalled by every time to the call of time, but as soon as Kilrain would get at him he would go down to a punishment. The two were all shot and saved the honor. Kilrain the fifteenth which lasted two minutes and fifteen seconds.

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Jim Carney's Benefit
BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Ten thousand people were present at the complimentary benefit tendered to Jim Carney at Music Hall last night and hundreds of others were unable to gain admission. Spraying bouts took place between LaBlanche and Kerigan and many others. The closing bout was between Carney and Mike Daly, of Bangor, and some clever scuffling was had. Daly long some better work than Carney. Carney was introduced as the light weight champion of the world amidst hisses and cheers.

Evan Lewis Sick
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—A telegram was received last night from Dr. Gili of Madison, Wis., saying that Evan Lewis had been suddenly taken sick, and would not be able to wrestle for some weeks and probably not be in February. It was agreed by the representatives of the two men that Carney should receive \$125, half of the stakes for granting the postponement of the match announced to take place yesterday.

Will Meet Paddy Ryan
ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 20.—Patsey Car diff has agreed to day to meet Paddy Ryan in the Washington Rink Minneapolis, some time next spring.

Frank Hainner, the Special Detective, Indignant.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 20.—Frank Hainner, the special deputy sheriff of New York, who effected the detection and arrest of the Grand Trunk detective thieves and who has been charged by the Montreal papers with having been bought off for \$10,000 and left the country, has been in this city under the name of Thomas for the past few days and left for Montreal yesterday. To a reporter, previous to his departure, Mr. Hainner related the story of the detection of the thieves substantially the same as that which has already been published. Mr. Hainner was very indignant at the charge that he had been bought up, and stated emphatically that if Maxwell and he had been crooks they might, from the pointers obtained from Fahey's gang, have stolen \$100,000 and got away safely. Mr. Hainner would say nothing concerning the expected further developments in the case, but remarked that he would not be surprised to see a bomb shell burst in the court which will shake the City of Montreal. He also denied that the person who employed him to ferret out the thieves was Mr. Harry Phillips. He was employed by "one of the wealthiest citizens of Montreal," whose name he refused to divulge. This gentleman backed him and paid the most extravagant expenses cheerfully, telling Hainner to hang on and convict the gang. Mr. Hainner reached Montreal late last night.

Decided for the Plaintiff.
New York, Dec. 20.—In the suit of Alfred Roosevelt, executor of John Roosevelt, against the La Telegraph Company for the infringement of the patent on the Leblanche battery, Judge Coxe, of the United States Circuit Court decided yesterday for the plaintiff.

No Truth in the Story
BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 20.—Cardinal Gibbons says that he has no knowledge whatever of the alleged movement to form a labor organization to be composed exclusively of Catholic working men. There is no truth in the story.

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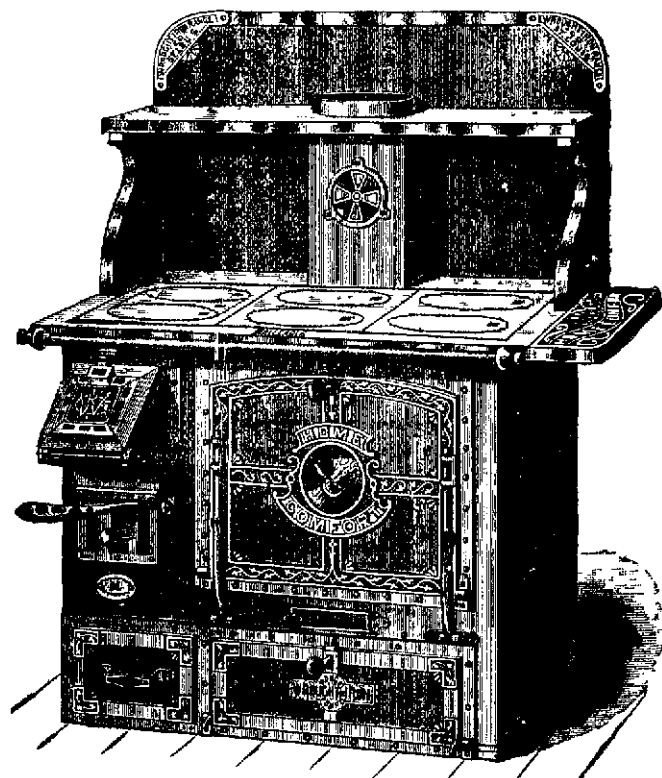
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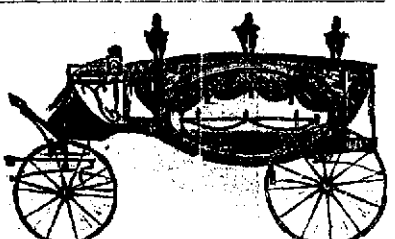
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Pigs Feet, Tripe, Lard, &c.
Give me a call.
JOHN ZELLAR,
nov26-d1m

Holidays on the Wabash.
Tickets will be sold for the Holidays by the Wabash Railway at one fare for the round trip between all stations and will be on sale December 24, 25, 26, 31, and January 1st and 2nd, good going only on date of sale and good to return up to and including January 3rd, 1888.

COMMENCING November 1st, 1887, the I. C. R. R. will sell 2,000 mile tickets at \$40.00. These tickets will be limited to one year from date of issue. Unused portions will be refunded after deducting 2 cents per mile for the portion used.
WHITE VESTS for barkeepers at B. Shine's.

Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
MACON COUNTY.
In the Circuit Court of said County—To the January Term, A. D. 1888.
John K. Warren, as Administrator, with the will annexed of the estate of Henry B. Durfee, deceased, petitioner, vs. Joseph Mills, Lauretta Durfee, Harry A. Durfee, Nellie Durfee, Frank Durfee, Alfred Durfee, and Fred J. Durfee, defendants—Petition for leave to make a sale.
Public notice is hereby given to the above named Harry A. Durfee and Frank Durfee that the above named petitioner, John K. Warren, as Administrator, with the will annexed, of the estate of Henry B. Durfee, deceased, hath here before filed his certain petition in the above entitled cause under and by virtue of the statute in said case made and provided. In this Court on the Chancery side thereof, against you and the other defendants therein and above named, for leave to convey to Joseph Mills, the assignee of John Zellar, lot three in block four (3) of Durfee & King's Addition to the City of Decatur, that a summons has been issued thereon against you returnable in this Court on the first day of the next term thereof, to be held at the Court House in the City of Decatur, Illinois, and commencing on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1888, when and where said cause is now pending.

E. McCLELLAN,
Clerk of said Court.
CHAS. & EWING, Solicitors.
nov26-d4w

1500 New Cloaks and Wraps.
For ladies and children, in elegant styles and decidedly cheap, at
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DeHAVEN, the decorator, is now prepared to furnish the full styles of Wall Paper, in all grades, at prices lower than ever. Address or call at 535 West Eldorado street.
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THE SPENCER & LEHMAN Co. sell the old reliable Peter Shutter and Moline Wagons.
Nov. 9-d&w

HEINRY BROS. make the largest loaves of home made bread of any in the city. Bread delivered promptly anywhere it is desired.
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A SHIP with a fine line of Christmas presents can be seen at Cheap Charley's.
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NOVELTIES in Ladies' Felt Hats, at
d&w

People of Venezuela's Capital.
Although the Plaza Bolivar is open to everybody, the lower classes never enter it during concert hours, but content themselves with listening to the music outside the railing. Altogether I have rarely met with a more docile, well behaved people than the lower classes of Venezuelans. They are poor and ignorant, but at the same time honest and kind hearted. Robberies are hardly known in Caracas. The doors are left open during the day, and even at night they seem to be closed only for formality's sake, but not for protection. In my numerous lonely walks through the streets at night, not only in Caracas, but in other towns, I never met a disorderly or drunken person. After 11 o'clock at night everything is quiet. The few tramways crossing the city stop shortly after 10 o'clock, and at midnight the streets are absolutely deserted, reminding me often of similar streets with houses in a city far away, at the foot of Mount Vesuvius—Pompeii.—E. De Hesse Wartegg in New York Sun.

Source of the Tin Supply.
It is not generally known that the bulk of the product of the world is from the tin mines in the southern part of Asia. The mining there is that of "blood tin," not rock, and this means that it is taken from the lowlands near the mountains, where it is found in seams or pockets, ten or twenty feet or more below the surface level, in the shape of or appearing like coarse black sand, with here and there a mixture of tin. The ore is smelted in slabs of great shape at the mines and sent to Peking and Shanghai to be resmelted in regular manufacturable slabs or blocks, and at the same time purified, and then to be shipped. The tin mining, capital and labor, is practically in the hands of the Chinese.—The Age of Steel.

About Cigar Smokers.
Some cigar smokers invariably use a cigar holder. A big retail cigar dealer says that smokers who use holders generally smoke a cheap cigar. There are exceptions, of course, but the rule holds good generally, he notices, even among men of wealth. Old smokers who stick a cigar between their teeth and like to chew at it, as a rule buy brands that cost from ten cents up to fifty cents apiece.—New York Sun.

A good motto for a dime museum: "Wonders will never cease."—Judge.

Is Consumption Incurable?

Read the following: Mr. C. H. Morris, Newark, Ark., says: "Was down with Abscess of Lung, and friends and physicians pronounced me an incurable Consumptive. Begun taking Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and now on my third bottle, and able to oversee the work on my farm. It is the finest medicine ever made."
Jesse Middlewert, Decatur, Ohio, says: "Had it not been for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption I would have died of Lung Troubles. Was given up by doctors. Am now in best of health." Try it. Sample bottle free at John A. Swearingen's Drug Store.

I. D. & S. Holiday Rates.

December 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, 1887, and January 1st and 2d, 1888, the I. D. & S. E'y will sell round trip excursion tickets from Decatur to points on its line of road at one fare for the round trip. Half excursion rates for children between five and twelve years of age. No rate less than twenty-five cents to any point for adults, and none less than fifteen cents for children. Tickets good going only on dates of sale. Good returning up to and including January 3d, 1888.
(C. M. Abbott, Gen'l Ag't.)

The Southern Presbyterian Church is appealing for funds to prosecute missionary work among the negroes.

Nature's Own True Laxative.

The delicious flavor and healthy properties of sound, ripe fruit are well known, and seeing the need of an agreeable and effective laxative, the California Fig Syrup Co. commenced a few years ago to manufacture a concentrated Syrup of Figs, which has given such general satisfaction that it is rapidly superseding the bitter drastic liver medicines and cathartics hitherto in use. If you are or bilious, try it. For sale in 50 cents and \$1.00 bottles by Dr. A. J. Stoner, Decatur, Ill.

For Weather Strips, upholstery and furniture repairing go to A. Beers.
Oct1-d3m

Tested as a testimony to Edward Burgess, designer of the Volunteer, has increased to more than \$10,000.

AMERICANS are breaking down under high pressure application to business and duties. They are losing their nerve force. Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic restores lost nerve force by supplying food for the nerve tissues, and by its gentle operative action removes all restraint from the secretory organs, hence curing all diseases of the stomach, liver and kidneys. Dr. A. J. Stoner will supply the genuine Red Clover Tonic at 50 cents a bottle.

ANYONE in search of a first-class cooking apparatus can find what they want in the "Home Comfort" Range sold by Morehouse, Wells & Co. One of the best housekeepers in the city says: "We did not know what home comfort was until we got a 'Home Comfort' range in the house."
nov3-d

The country is waiting for the report of the Fisheries Commission with baited breath.

THE people as a mass seldom make mistakes. This accounts for the large demand for Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cough Cure. It has given such perfect satisfaction that some druggists offer an imitation on which they make a larger profit. Beware of both the imitation and the druggist, both will cheat you. The genuine is sold by Dr. A. J. Stoner and will promptly and safely cure coughs, colds, and all throat and lung diseases. Price 50c.
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Go to The Spencer & Lehman Co. for Wood Pumps, Chain Pumps and Iron Force Pumps.
Nov 9-d&w

A CHILD can buy at Cheap Charley's as well as any man.
d&w

REPAIRING and repainting, general line of vehicle work at the Bluegrass Shop.
ap18-d&w

REAL bargains in Overcoats at the Star Clothing House.
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For Ladies and Children, a complete assortment, at lowest prices.
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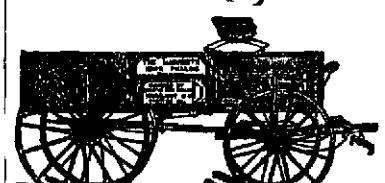
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The Largest Assortment in the city to select from.

Oysters Direct from Baltimore in Can or Bulk.

WOOD BROS.,
142 Merchant Street.
Dec. 7-13W

LOCAL NEWS.

For dinner and tea sets, go to E. D. Bartholomew & Co's.

The poles keep on going up.

ONLY five days to Christmas.

Telephone to Niedermeyer's grocery store for a Christmas turkey.

There will be great fun in "Human Nature" to-morrow night.

The chicken show will delight the ladies.

On Thursday night the Knights Templar will confer the Red Cross degree on two candidates.

SPECIAL SALE of Silk Umbrellas, at J. R. Race & Co's. Dec. 19-1W

The members of Decatur Lodge of Odd Fellows No. 65 will meet to-night for work.

Get your Christmas turkey at Dingee & Coop's.

Thank Christmas turkeys at J. Lytle & Co's grocery store are what you want.

This index of the First M. E. Church had engaged Rev. Robert McIntyre to deliver one of his best lectures in Decatur this week. It has been postponed until after the holidays.

All of the Decatur Banks will be closed on Monday after Christmas and Monday after New Year's Day. Make a note of this.

SWEETHEARTS and wives will want to hear the charming Fuller Sisters sing their beautiful nautical ballad, "My Sailor Boy is Home Again."

ALWAYS popular—Shelbarger & Co's White Loaf family flour.

Plenty of salt water in the natural gas well. As previously announced, the State Brothers will go ahead with the drilling.

CHARLES DICKENS and wife spent an hour at the chicken show yesterday afternoon.

LEADING grocers take pleasure in selling Hatfield & Co's White Foam flour.

It is said the Citizens' company refused \$50,000 cash for their street car line.

It was noticed on Sunday that all the Sabbath schools were unusually well attended. Christmas is close at hand.

BEFORE purchasing Christmas presents be sure to call at the Woman's Exchange, 20-26.

Don't forget Dushman & Meyer's furniture store in Haworth Block for different styles of easy chairs, willow rockers, and high chairs for children.

At the meeting of the People's Loan Association held last night, \$4,500 was loaned at 11 to 20 per cent.

FINE Jersey Coats at A. F. Ross', 147 N. Water St. Dec. 1-1W

The Moore Bros in opera block, carry a full line of first-class groceries and dressed poultry.

To-morrow will be the shortest day of the year. If you want to put in 10 hours for 10-hours pay, get up early.

EUGENE BOGARDUS, the champion wing shot of the world, seen in Decatur last season with the Forepaugh show, died Monday at Elkhart of Texas fever, aged 23 years. He contracted the disease while in Texas with his father, Capt. A. H. Bogardus.

RESERVED SEATS are now on sale for the grand opening matinee Monday, Christmas afternoon, of Music Hall, by the celebrated Fuller Sisters' Comedy Co.

For a Christmas present anyone will appreciate, get a box of crystalized or candied fruits at Dingee & Coop's. 17-26

A. F. Ross gives away a sled with every boy's suit of clothes or overcoat purchased at the Star Clothing House. Dec. 1-1W

JAMES HOLLINGER has purchased the barber shop in the north end of Central Block, where all old friends and new callers as well will receive a hearty welcome, and get shaving work done in first-class style. Hair cutting a specialty. Dec. 19-1W

These are busy times for C. B. Prescott, who is having a big trade in Haines Bros' and other standard pianos, organs, and musical merchandise generally. His stock is large and varied, selected especially for the holiday season. See his display.

Attention.

Comrades of Danham Post, No. 141, G. A. R., are hereby notified that Department District Inspector, Hon. W. F. Calhoun, will inspect this post this (Tuesday) evening, Dec. 20. A full attendance is requested. By order of JOHN A. BARNER, Com. C. R. SPORN, Adj.

Put Under \$200 Bonds.

F. S. Ott, an old gentleman, who is proprietor of a small restaurant at Pana, was brought to Decatur last evening by John Schneider, United States deputy marshal, and taken before Commissioner Randolph for a hearing on a charge of selling beer without paying the government tax. There were two witnesses whose testimony brought out the fact that Ott had set up ciders to customers, the ciders in each case proving to be plain, every-day lager beer. District Attorney Van Horbeck conducted the prosecution. Ott was held by the commissioner to answer, bail being fixed at \$200 for his appearance at Springfield in January. The witnesses were sureties for Ott and he was released.

Sales of Real Estate.

John J. Bradley to Daniel A. Meris, the undivided one-half interest in a lot in Railroad addition to Macon, \$650.

D. A. Merris to M. D. Alexander, same lot, \$650.

Ann K. Hutchin to Ben W. Dillehaut, tract of land in 2, 16, 2, \$800.

The Dickens Reading.

It was not a large audience which gathered at the opera house last night to greet Mr. Charles Dickens, the son of the great novelist, whose name and works are known wherever the English language is spoken. The reader appeared in evening dress and was introduced in a neat speech by Dr. Wm. A. Barnes. Selections from "David Copperfield" and "Tom Sawyer's Party," from "Pickwick Papers," were read by Mr. Dickens, whose manner was easy and graceful. It is not the reading of Mr. Dickens that excites interest and induces people of America to greet him at the various places he visits. Curiosity to see "the son of his father" is what draws the people. The lithographs of Mr. Dickens that have been hung up about the city are correct portraits of the gentleman. He is an easy going, good natured, a close observer, and a good conversationalist to whom it is a pleasure to listen. While he is getting 250 American dollars a night, it is gratifying to note the fact that Buffalo Bill, John L. Sullivan and Grace Hawthorne are getting even on the other side of the Atlantic. Mr. Dickens and his party left last night for Detroit, Mich. His stay of two days in Decatur was quite pleasant to him.

PERSONAL MENTION

Billy Downing is in Chicago.

Ed. Ackerman, a Decatur printer, has gone to Florida to stock type.

Bert Williams and S. T. Keeler are the doorkeepers at the chicken show.

Commissioner Rogers was at Springfield yesterday. He will return to-morrow.

Dr. E. A. Morgan, E. H. Hill and D. E. Mager, of Macon, were in the city last night.

Hon. W. F. Calhoun, of Clinton, and Hon. D. L. Braucher, of Lincoln, were at the St. Nicholas to-day.

Miss Partington is on of the Topsyies with the Uncle Tom show to be given Friday night.

J. D. McGaffey is home from his visit to the wholesale paint houses of Longman & Martineau, at Toledo and New York City.

Capt. Frank Emery, of Macon, who lately sprained his ankle by a fall, was able to visit Decatur yesterday. He does not use a cane.

Col. B. N. Pierce, the chicken judge, and E. L. Crawley, of Indianapolis, arrived at the St. Nicholas this morning. He is at work at the exhibition marking the fowls.

Miss Grace Sherwood has left the Daily's "Upside Down" company, and will return to New York. She began her theatrical tour in Chicago a few years ago, and is a brilliant, pretty and capable actress, whose abilities will not remain long in idleness.

Rev. Horace Reed, pastor of Grace church at Bloomington, was in Decatur to-day for a few hours and paid the Republican a call. He lectured last night at Clinton on "Woman's Worth and Worthlessness." Rev. Reed claims to have the most intelligent congregation of any church within the bounds of the Illinois Conference.

On his recent visit to Blue Mound, Sheriff Manzy served 39 subpoenas, and arrested Henry Schwab and M. Meidl for violations of the liquor law. Meidl gave bond in the sum of \$700 and Schwab in the sum of \$1700. It was a big day's work.

The W. C. T. U.

A mother's meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. R. D. Wilson on West Decatur street to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2:30 p. m. All mothers are cordially invited to be present.

The two o'clock meetings of the W. C. T. U. are creating an interest among those who attend in the importance of the intellectual life, in the need of becoming familiar with the highest thought of the times.

The meeting last Sunday afternoon, in charge of Mr. Lunn, was very impressive. A number of ladies and gentlemen took part in the exercises.

Pretty Gifts.

W. C. Armstrong at his drug store has been having a rapid sale of his elegant Christmas goods for several weeks, and deservedly so, for the articles are unique and beautiful, embracing plush dressing cases, manicure sets, perfume sets and perfumery in bottles, shaving sets, all suitable for ladies and gentlemen. If you want to decide quick and save time and money, call at Armstrong's store for Christmas presents. d5t

Don't fail to see Mr. Frank Cotten as Christopher Blizard in that funny comedy entitled "Confusion," or Hug the Baby.

It Goes With a Rush.

The attraction Thursday night will be Salesbury's Tronbadours. The plot of "Humming Bird," so far as it is necessary to tell, is made through the medium of an advertisement, which several people answer who are theatrically inclined. Several families get into trouble over the advertisement signed "Humming Bird," and the complications are so many and novel that the audience laughs continually. There are no tedious moments in the play, and the situations come about very naturally.

SEE THE CHICKEN SHOW.

Nearly 1000 Musical Fowls in the Hall—Judge Pierce Present.

The attendance at the second annual exhibition of the Macon County Poultry Club, in progress on the first floor of the Masonic Temple building, was good to-day, despite the rain and snow. Last night the club voted to reduce the price of admission to 10 and 5 cents. The doors will be open all day until 10:30 at night. The exhibition is very creditable one, and should be liberally patronized. There are over 300 exhibitors who show nearly 1000 fowls, all beauties to be judged by the Indianapolis expert, Mr. B. N. Pierce. Besides the poultry, turkeys, geese, in the hall may be seen a collection of live alligators, wolves and jack rabbits.

DECATUR FANCYERS.

Chris Dieckhoff, bearded golden Polish.

C. F. Chuchman, Langshans.

F. L. Stevenson, Partridge Cochins and Pekin Bantams.

E. T. Seger, Plymouth Rocks.

George P. Hardy, Pekin Ducks.

Henry Blenz, S. S. Hamburgs, black Javas, black breasted red game, Plymouth Rocks and Langshans.

A. L. Brockway, black Minoras.

F. T. Seeley, White Cochins.

Bert Meriwether, Wyandottes.

Theo. K. Bobb, Buff Cochins, black breasted red game Bantams.

W. C. Eldman, Partridge Cochins.

F. W. Swearingen, Light Brahmas.

John Imboden, Plymouth Rocks.

Howard Lindsay, black Spanish and Plymouth Rocks.

A. R. Barber, Wyandottes.

Dr. J. D. Wheeler, S. S. Hamburgs.

Wm. Pluck, Silver duckling game Bantams.

D. A. Morehead, black Cochins.

E. D. Bartholomew, Plymouth Rocks.

Brown & Slupson, Light Brahmas and Wyandottes.

Chas. E. Ricketts, White Leghorns, Brown Leghorns and White Plymouth Rocks.

L. F. Skelley, dark Brahmas.

H. W. Bartholomew, light Brahmas.

P. E. Montgomery, light Brahmas.

Henry Boston, brown Leghorns and light Brahmas.

OUTSIDE EXHIBITS.

C. H. Cockill, Perry's, Partridge Cochins and light Brahmas.

W. E. Bryant, Petersburg; Langshans.

Delmer Brownbeck, Edinburgh Silver duckling game Bantams.

W. A. Thinks, Forsyth, Wyandottes, Toulouse Geese, Pekin Ducks, White Cochins and persons.

Mrs. T. A. Shuff, Berlin, Ill., Plymouth Rocks, Hackaday & McKay, Emery, Ill., Langshans, (black Silks), and brown Leghorns.

Henry Turk, Linwood Place, Ohio; Royal black Javas.

Hilopis Poultry Association, Wyandottes, Mottled Javas, dark Brahmas, brown Leghorns, Partridge Cochins.

Cornelius Morris, Elwin, White Holland Turkeys.

H. C. Allen, Harriestown, bronze turkeys.

W. P. Jeffries, Dalton City; Langshans.

Dr. R. E. Hensible, Hillsboro, Ill.; Golden Seabright Bantams and Brown Leghorns.

Nelson T. Lovell, Dalton City; Wyandottes.

C. H. Andrews, Buckley, Ill.; White Cochins.

H. W. Cleave, Buckley; Partridge Cochins.

W. J. Jacobs, Oregon; Langshans, Wyandottes, Golden Seabright Bantams and Pekin Ducks.

J. A. Beatty, Macon; bronze turkeys, Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes.

Mrs. Alma Jacques, Pittsfield, Ill.; Plymouth Rocks.

Dr. J. C. Hall, Forsyth, brown Leghorns, Houdans and Langshans.

L. S. Carter, Hammond; light Brahmas, brown and white Leghorns and black Javas.

E. E. Bask, Chicago, black breasted red games.

D. A. McCreary, Elwin, bronze turkeys.

George B. Hall, Barry, Ill.; Antwerp carrier pigeons and Red Jacobins.

We are requested by Manager Haines to state that the Uncle Tom's Cabin Company (Gotholds) which appear at the opera house on Friday evening is the largest and best Uncle Tom company in the country and is the only one booked for this season. They carry a special car of scenery, a big company's jubilee singers, fine band and orchestra. The play will be given first-class in every particular.

The Freight Question.

The Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners, in session at Springfield, have practically completed the trial sheet for the revision of the freight-tariff schedule of the state, and will consider it at a full meeting of the board to-morrow. The reductions apply mostly to distances of 40 to 100 miles. The heaviest reduction is about 25 per cent of the present rate, and from that figure will range all the way down to nothing, the probable average being about 10 per cent. A calculation made indicates that the contemplated change will reduce the state's revenue from the Illinois Central about \$40,000 on a volume of business equal to that of last year. The calculations for the reduction are based upon the joint Western classification. The original purpose was to put the new schedule into operation January 1, but the probability is that it will not be ready so early.

H. C. ALLEN, of Harriestown, was at the Chicago yards last week with some fine Angus cattle of his own feeding. There were fourteen 2-year-old 1623-pound cattle sold at \$6.25, and eighteen head of 1182-pound yearlings sold at \$5.50. The fourteen head of 2-year-olds were all from one sire, and Mr. Allen felt justly proud of the lot.

Morgan's Place.

Al Morgan has lately expended considerable clean cash judiciously in fitting up his club room saloon near the post-office, and patrons now find the place more inviting than ever. The billiard and pool tables have been dressed in new clothes, and newly turned billiard and pool balls and cues have been secured. Pretty gilt paper adorns the walls and ceiling, the woodwork has been newly grained and on every side is noticed elegant embellishments wrought by the decorator. Al says he is bound to keep his place looking like a palace at all seasons of the year.

Holiday Rates.

Reduced rates during holidays from Decatur to Peoria and Terre Haute; also Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska points, via Terre Haute & Peoria R. R. Call and see me. THOMAS PENWELL, City Agent, American Express Office. 20-24

Read Cheap Charley's adv't. d&wt

It Is a Fraud.

EES. REPUBLICAN: It is somewhat amusing to observe how good naturedly Sprague's Agency for extracting five dollars from business men for nothing, wriggles and squirms in yesterday's Republican and finally falls back on the republication of a couple of paid puffs from Chicago papers. The fact that a number of merchants have been induced to pay five dollars for the privilege of turning accounts over to this agency for collection, while Weber & Co. of Springfield, and like agencies with the same facilities and same plan do not have the gall to ask anything but the same per cent, for collection, shows that Sprague's solicitors are smooth-tongued, successful commercial sharks. The little item in the State Sentinel which so strangely agitated Sprague, per Holmes, should have been published a week sooner.

ALBERT F. SMITH.

Human Nature.

At the opera house to-morrow evening will be presented the famous Yankee Comedy, "Human Nature" in which will appear the well known character Actor, vocalist and dancer, Richard O'Gorman, and a picked company of comedians and comedienne. The play, while new to this city, has been extremely well received elsewhere. It is said to overflow with funny incidents, and affords abundant scope for the display of artistic singing and dancing in which the various members of the company are so proficient. The company carries nearly all of its own scenery, one scene in particular representing New York Harbor by moonlight with a view of the battery. The Statue of Liberty, and Brooklyn Bridge, is said to be one of the finest works of scenic art ever painted. The Grace Church Quartet, a high kicking mechanical cow, a real horse, and a calf are other features of the performance. The company also carries its own Orchestra and a Brass Band. The latter will be featured in Continental uniforms, said to be historically correct.

MOREHOUSE, WELLS & Co. are constantly receiving new patterns, in Wood, Iron and Slate Mantels, Vestibule and Hearth Tiles, Fine Brass Fenders, Fire Sets, and everything pertaining to this one. No larger or more complete assortment can be found elsewhere. d&w

INMAN & LAWRENCE at their restaurant, south side Lincoln Square, serve lunch, oysters and regular meals at low prices. No better place in town. Restaurant open all night. Dec. 16-d&wt

QUAIL, Phensant and Grouse at Krebs', d&wt

Don't be Deceived

Into paying large prices for Watches, Clocks and Jewelry. We can and will meet any cut and even do better by you on anything in our line than any jewelry house in Decatur will give you.

14-16 PEAKE & SON.

The City Legislature.

At the regular meeting of the city council last night all members were present except Ald. Simpson.

Residents in the vicinity of the new coal shaft asked that the alleged nuisance of smoke and dust be abated. The matter by resolution was referred to the mayor, city attorney and marshal, to see that the Decatur Coal company observe the law.

C. Ammann asked permission to tap the water main in front of his building on North Water street. Granted.

Mrs. Nancy Edginton (McKinnis) asked that the city vote her \$50 to compensate her in part for the loss sustained by the case of varioloid at her boarding house on East William street, which was in quarantine for 15 days by order of the board of health. The petition was referred to the board of health.

C. P. Thatcher and Gaddis & Huff, north of the Wabash, called attention to the fact that their drainage had been shut off by the blocking up of the 10-inch sewer pipe at the north line of Cerro Gordo street. They asked for an extension of the pipe north to Mason street, the company agreeing to tap the sewer and pay the cost of the work. Referred to the streets and alleys committee.

The report of Inspector Hammer on fire and water was placed on file.

The plat of H. H. Brown's second subdivision to Decatur along South Charles street was read and referred to the streets and alleys committee.

Jacob Eno was paid \$6.75; A. Cherry, \$21.38; W. W. Minson, for varioloid case expense, \$4.50.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Harwood: That a plat for grading, graveling and paving North Water street from Wabash north to city limits, 50 feet wide, be prepared by city engineer, and also report estimate of cost of improvement. Adopted.

By Harwood: That an estimate of the cost of a main sewer in district No. 2 as per plans in Williams' plans, except that said sewer shall run directly north on Broadway to Marietta street, be made by the city engineer. Adopted.

By Harwood: That a warrant be drawn in favor of Giblin & Dempsey for \$39.52, for paving East Wood street to corner of alley between Broadway and Webster streets. Adopted.

By Foster: That a warrant for \$9 be drawn in favor of the Sister Superior of St. Mary's Hospital for nursing a case of small-pox. Adopted.

THE PARK.

Mayor Kaman made a verbal report as to progress with the board of supervisors on the city park matter, stating that the committee had gone before the county board and made the proposition to take charge of the fair grounds. He announced that the county board had appointed a special committee to confer with the city council. The council committee was continued to confer with the supervisors' committee.

EXTRA WORK.

The claim of John Grass for \$298.61.

for the removal of excess dirt at West Main street, was presented again by request of Ald. Foster. Referred to Engineer Burgess.

THE NEW ROSE HOUSE.

The new house lately put up on North Morgan street was discussed at some length. There are some objections to the structure and the manner in which the work has been done. It has not been accepted, though it is occupied. On motion of Ald. Moffit it was voted that the council visit the building in a body on Tuesday forenoon.

It was reported that the old fire house bell had been sold for \$52.

ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Ald. Metz suggested that the city council should force the Jenney Electric Light company to come to the front and put in the 100-horse power engine they agreed to furnish under the contract. He added that the present engine is in bad shape, to which statement Mayor Kaman added that there was no doubt but that the whole plant would be out of order at any time. The mayor stated that he had written the company twice about the matter but had received no reply. There is yet due the company on the purchase of the plant about \$4,900, sufficient to pay for a proper engine. Ald. Harwood observed that as soon as the present engine breaks down, as it is believed it will, then the city can buy a new engine and use the money due the company to foot the bill.

The following introduced by Ald. Foster was adopted:

Resolved, That the city attorney be and is hereby instructed to notify the Jenney Electric Light company, of Fort Wayne, Ind., that no more money will be paid by the city of Decatur, Ill., until the terms of the contract are complied with upon their part.

Adjourning.

New Papers.

Tuscola has a daily paper of creditable appearance and full of local news. It is the Daily Review, edited by C. W. Wilson.

Moral O'Banion has started the Illinois Pilot at Varna, in Marshall county. It is devoted to the prohibition cause. The Decatur friends of Moral will be pleased to learn of his new stand.

For the Christmas and New Year holidays the L. C. R. will sell excursion tickets to all stations north of Chicago, at one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th and 31st, and on Jan. 1st and 2d. Good to return up to January 3d.

Occuree Flannel Shirts, in all the latest shades, plaited bosom, perfect in fit, at B. Stine's.

DAY BOARD \$4.00 per week at Combs' Court House Restaurant—the best place in the city to board. Meals at all hours. No. 139 South Water St. n25-dtf

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Match Safes from 10c up.

Brass Waiters, 15c up.

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Brass Illuminated Match safes, 15c.

Brass Crumb Tray, 75c up.

Brass Picture Easels, 48c.

Bronze Mirrors, 95c.

HOLIDAY NOVELTIES.

Odor Cases—Push Odor Stand.

Writing Portfolios, 25c, 50c and 98c.

Writing Desks \$1.25, worth \$2.

Gents' Pocket Cases.

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All purchases made of us until January 1st shall be a BARGAIN FOR THE BUYER. Prices on DRESS GOODS, SILKS, VELVETS, and ALL MILLINERY GOODS, Especially TRIMMED HATS AND BOX-NETS, Cut Right and Left.

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Crystalized Plums,

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Preserved Figs in Heavy Syrup.

DINGES & COOP'S.

TUESDAY EVE, DEC. 20, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

JUDGE B. N. PIERCE is in town. He can tell the fine points about a chicken. There will be three Christmas days this year.

The prize Christmas turkeys and dressed poultry are on sale at Hanks & Patterson's grocery store.

Select one of these Round Oak heating stoves at Lytle & Eekels' hardware store, 125 North Water street.

The talented Salisbury Troubadours will appear in "The Humming Bird" musical comedy Thursday night. This is one of the principal attractions of the season and should draw a large house.

"Wake up" and go to Knobe & Osborn's grocery store for choice supplies for the table.

COL. JOHN D. GILBERT, the famous breeder of fine cattle, has been making some shipments during the past week that shows what kind of stock is raised in this part of the state. On Tuesday's market in Chicago he had 34 steers that averaged 1610 pounds, and sold at \$5.87½ per cwt; 16 head averaged 1752 pounds, that sold for \$6.20, and 16 more weighed an average of 1784 pounds, which brought \$6.30. Upon being questioned, Mr. Gilbert gave it as his opinion that such cattle as these cannot be produced for less than \$7.50 per cwt, and expressed his determination to handle his herds as gleaners of stalk fields and pastures only, and to sell his corn this year and next.

The greatest cure on earth for pain, Salvation Oil; sing the refrain.

"You out to-day, my friend, in this cold wind? I thought you were sick in bed with a cold." He said nothing but smiled a jolly smile and led me to the apothecary's shop, and pointing to a big advertisement of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, said: "Thereby hangs the tale; that tells the story."

Bra Cur in prices on Silk Umbrellas, Fine Mullers and Handkerchiefs, at J. R. Race & Co's. dec19-1w
A full line of Boys' and Youth's Patent Leather Slippers just received at Powers & Haworth. d10-dtf

See Them.
The splendid herd of Christmas cattle to be killed by the Imboden Bros. for their market, can be seen at Culp's old wagon yard, on South Water street. They will be kept on exhibition there until wanted for the blocks, and all are invited to take a look at the herd. "Dot," the famous yearling steer, that took the premium at the Chicago Fat Stock Show, is in the herd of 10.

In Addition
To our already unparalleled stock of Silk Handkerchiefs, Linen Handkerchiefs, Silk and Wool Mullers, we will put on sale Monday morning a large line of importers' samples, bought at 50 cents on the dollar. The line consists of about 50 dozen, no two alike, and ranging in price from 2c to 1.25. The greatest opportunity for Holiday purchases ever offered. Come and get them quick—first choice always the best.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,
dec17-dtf 143 E. Main, Powers Block.

The Hercules white shirts are the best, and only one dollar. LINN & SCRUGGS.
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THE SPENCER & LEHMAN Co. sell the old reliable Peter Shuttler and Moline Wagons. Nov 9-d&wtf

Newmarkets,
Rain, Stripes and Plaids, for ladies and misses, beautiful styles.
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DIARIES for 1888 in all styles, at the City Book Store. J. H. Bevans. d14d6w1

We will close the balance of our Seal Caps at actual cost. J. R. RACE & Co.
dec19-1w

THE Wabash will sell on Dec. 24, 25, 26 and 31, and Jan. 1 and 2, good returning including Jan. 3, tickets from Decatur to Kansas City, via Hannibal, at \$9.40 for the round trip. See the ticket agents at the depot for further particulars. dt

Open Evenings for the Holidays.
From the 15th until after the holidays we will keep open until 9 o'clock. We will give special bargains on all goods sold for holiday trade, and have just received a new invoice of the choicest late winter Millinery goods from New York. All trimmed goods to be sold at greatly reduced prices. Mrs. K. ENGLISH,
1545w 110 North Water Street.

Gents' Furnishing Goods,
Embraising Underwear, Scarfs Handkerchiefs, Half-hose, in the best goods, and at the lowest prices. LINN & SCRUGGS.
d&w

See the "Home Comfort" Ranges at Morehouse, Wells & Co's. d&w

Revival Services at Stapp's Chapel.
After the usual song and prayer service last evening, led by Wm. Bowers, the pastor read the 3rd chapter of Rev. God's message to the churches. Evangelist Potter chose the words, "I Know thy Works," as the subject of his remarks. This message ought to be of peculiar interest. How eager we are to catch a last syllable from a departed friend. This comes as a last message from His lips; it deals with the practices and advanced life of the Church, the object being to encourage and warn. The churches of Asia are substantially reproduced in the churches of to-day. This is a life of self-sacrifice and conflict, and we are exhorted to put on the whole armour of God. Some say they are sweetly resting in Jesus; I do know how to understand this. I know some who are sweetly fighting in Jesus; others sweetly trusting. Conflicts are necessary; God can make more out of us by discipline and trial. The promise is to him that overcometh, not runneth well for a season, but overcometh. The key note to the entire message is, "Behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with me, to give to every man according," not as his profession is, but "as his works shall be." At the close of the sermon the entire church membership knelt at the altar in a consecration service; an invitation was extended to every one to come forward and shake hands with the minister while the choir sang the refrain, "Savior, Wash Me in the Blood," which brought many to the front who before would not move from their seats. Services at 2:30 and 7 p. m.; young converts' meeting, 6:30 p. m.

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Messrs. Dinges & Coop: Your Winsor Mocha and Java Coffee is most excellent. We have tried all others and failed to find any Coffee we like as well. Very Respy,
We will be glad to furnish any one interested the names belonging to the above recommendations, together with twenty others who have used and unhesitatingly recommend your justly celebrated Winsor Mocha and Java Coffee.
Very Respy. DINGES & COOP.
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Annual Meeting.
The regular annual meeting of the Savings Fund Building Association will be held at the city council rooms on Tuesday evening, Dec. 27th 1887 at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing three Directors and the transaction of such business as may come before it.

Jos. Mills, Pres't.
B. K. Durfee, Sec'y and Treas.
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The children of "Grace Mission" will give on Thursday evening, December 22d, at the East Eldorado Guild Hall a musical entertainment which will be opened with a chorus of human sunflowers who will give selections from the operas Martha, Bohemian Girl, Mikado, etc., concluding with the cantata, "Santa Claus' Mistake," or "A Bundle of Sticks." Proceeds to go towards the children's Xmas. Give them a liberal patronage.
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handle the 8 and 10 karat Watches that are being sold for \$23 and \$25 because they will not give satisfaction to the customer, but will give you a better quality of goods for the same money, and something that we know will give you satisfaction.
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CHEAP CHARLEY can and will save you money on anything you buy of him.
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Notice.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of the statute in said case made and provided, that on Thursday, the 22d day of December, instant, I will cause to be presented to His Excellency, the Governor of Illinois, at the Executive Department at Springfield, Ill., my application for pardon for the offense for which I am now imprisoned in the Illinois state penitentiary.
HARRY GRIFFIN.
DECATUR, ILL., Dec. 1st, 1887.

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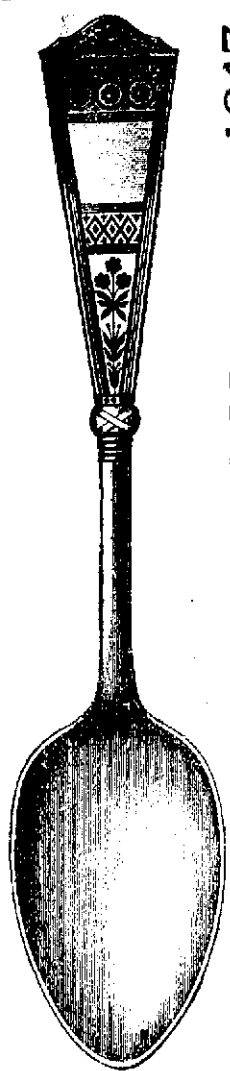
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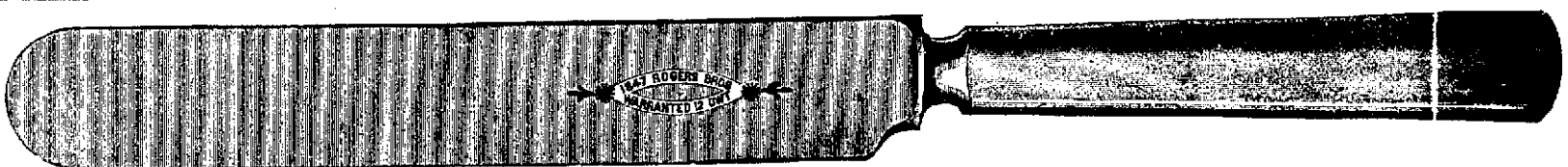
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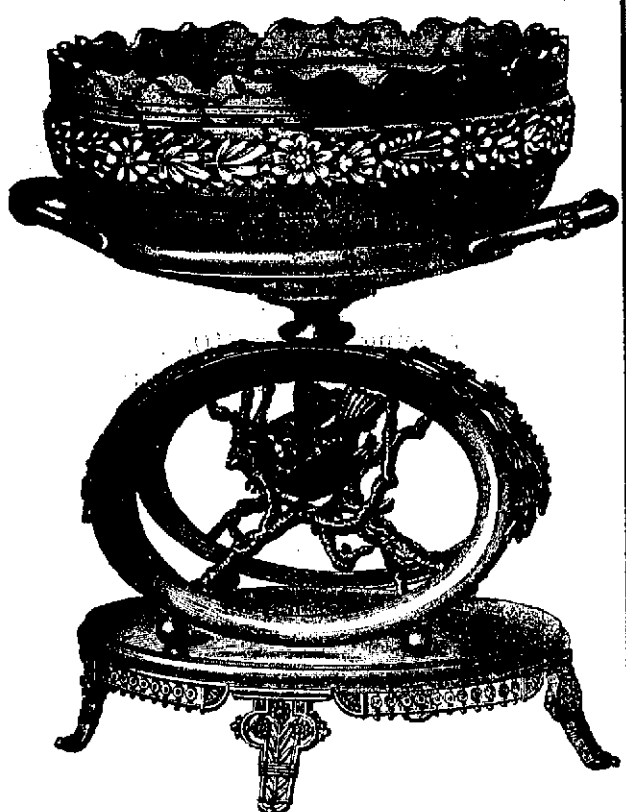
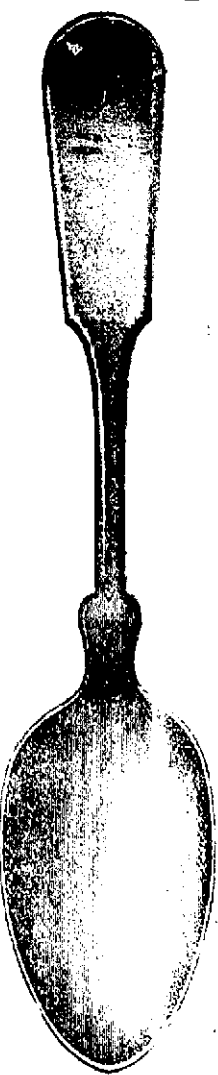
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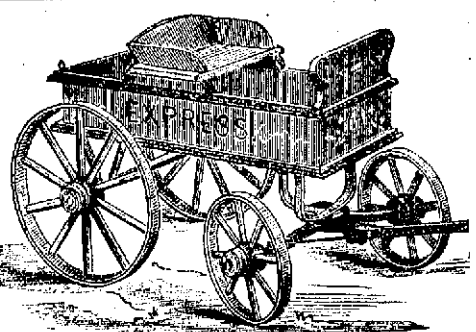
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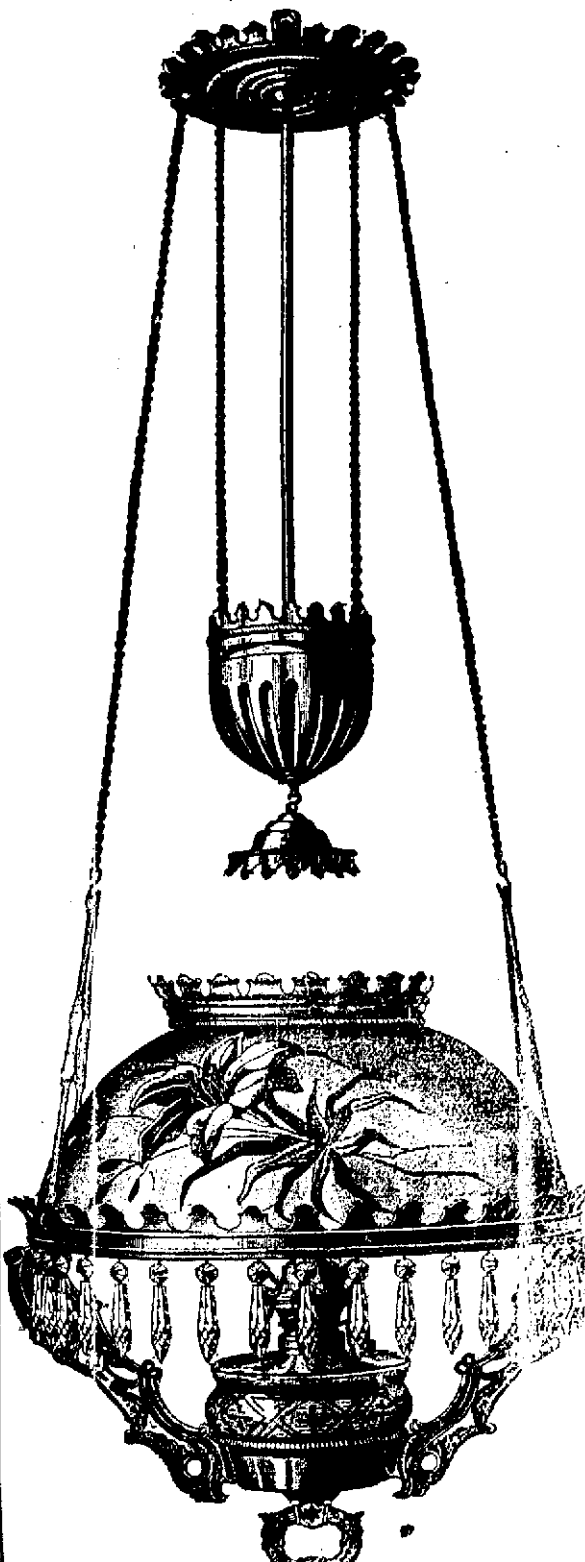
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